
DIGEST

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SB No. 513

Proposed law provides that the Department of Economic Development (DED) or the office of entertainment industry development (the office) shall not certify any film project in which the production company must maintain records pursuant to federal law relative to the production of certain film, books, magazines, or other materials which include actual sexually explicit conduct. Requires every motion picture production company applicant to submit to the department or office a statement declaring that it is not required to maintain records for that certified production pursuant to that federal law. Federal law (18 USC 2257, Child Protection and Obscenity Enforcement Act) requires anyone who produces any material, including film, that contains one or more visual depictions of actual sexually explicit conduct to create and maintain records pertaining to every performer portrayed in that conduct.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Adds R.S. 51:940.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill

1. Deletes applicability of the provisions relative to the expenditure of state funds by the division of administration.
2. Adds new law prohibiting DED or the Office of Entertainment Industry Development from certifying any film project in which the production company must register pursuant to federal criminal codes relative to the production of certain materials which sexually exploit children.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Clarifies that the required certified statement, from motion picture production companies, must be submitted to the department or office as applicable.
2. Makes Legislative Bureau technical changes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the reengrossed bill.

1. Requires, prior to state certification of a production expenditure and in addition to all other program requirements, the motion picture production company to submit to the department a declaration that it is not required by federal law to maintain records for that production.
2. Makes technical changes to conform the title to changes made to legislation.